

# HOLIDAY GIFTS

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Are what you are all looking for—something that is substantial and something that does not cost too much. WE THINK WE HAVE WHAT YOU WANT. Look at the list of a few appropriate

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Smyma Rugs, all sizes.  
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**Solid and Plated SILVERWARE.**

December 17 to 22.  
**ONE WEEK ONLY**

Partial List of Goods  
Sold for One Dollar.

### Sterling Silver Goods.

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Pickles Forks,  
Sugar Tongs,  
Butter Spoons,  
Dessert Spoons,  
Tea Spoons,  
Tea Balls,  
Tea Caddies,  
Watch Pockets,  
Hat Cases,  
Button Hooks,  
Cigarettes,  
Sick Bells,  
(sterling trimmed)  
Child's Bib Holders,  
Curtain Rings,  
Napkin Rings,  
Pocket Toothpick Holders.

### Plated Silverware.

Crumb Trays and Scrapers (like illustration).

Mirrors,  
Thermometers,  
Drinking Cups,  
Atomizers,  
Bon Bon Scoops,  
Berry Spoons,  
Sour Cream Spoons,  
Sugar Shells,  
Coffee Spoons,  
Gravy Ladles,  
Cream Ladles,  
Tea Holders,  
Tea Balls,  
Tea Ball Holders,  
Paper Cutters,  
Butter Knives,  
Pickles Castors,  
Butter Disks,  
Tea Strainers,  
Scrap Boxes,  
Napkin Rings,  
Orange Socks,  
Jewel Boxes,  
Pin Trays,  
Pocket Match Safes,  
Hair Pin Boxes,  
Salt and Pepper,  
Ink Stands and Trays,  
Ink Blotters,  
Tooth Pick Holders,  
Perfumery Bottles,  
Button Hooks,  
Bon Bon Boxes,  
Nut Picks and Crack  
Collapse Drinking  
Cup,  
Carving Knife  
Sharpeners,  
Triple Plated  
Ice Sets,  
Child's Sets—Knife,  
Fork and Spoon.

Whisk Broom with Silver Handle,  
Pocket Fruit Knife and Pick

**G. H. MORRISON.**  
505 Kansas Avenue

## NEWS OF KANSAS.

The Gas Well at Independence the Biggest Yet.

Contest for Representative in the 92d District.

OTHER STATE NEWS.

The Poultry Show at Enterprise Closed Yesterday.

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 20.—The gas well two and one-half miles west of town which yielded such a flow of gas Tuesday has developed into a regular gusher. The flow of gas then was strong but the drilling was continued and now the gas is immense in volume. There is more gas in this well than in the eight or ten wells east of town all put together.

It is in fact the big gas well of southern Kansas. The well is between 1,100 and 1,200 feet deep and one of the most encouraging features in connection with it is that the gas bearing sands in this locality are of remarkable and unusual thickness, giving promise of a more or less supply of gas than where these strata are thinner.

### WILL CONTEST THE SEAT.

Fraud and Illegal Voting Charged in the 92nd Legislative District.

LARNED, Dec. 20.—It is definitely settled that the contest for the seat in the legislature in the 92nd district which began in this county last fall between A. H. Lupter and Capt. Henry Booth, will be continued at Topeka in January. Contest papers have today been filed by Booth's attorney upon Lupter who was given certificate of election. The grounds of contest are fraud, illegal voting and illegal returns.

### SENTENCED TO NINETY DAYS.

EMPORIA, Dec. 20.—U. N. Cox, proprietor of the Fifth Avenue hotel, who was convicted of violating the prohibitory law at this session of the district court, was sentenced to ninety days in the county jail and ordered to pay a fine of \$300 by Judge Randolph. Cox was convicted on only one count. He will appeal to the supreme court.

### ENTERPRISE POULTRY SHOW CLOSING.

AMBLESS, Dec. 20.—Dickinson county poultry fanciers closed a three days' successful exhibit at Enterprise. Over 300 fowls were shown.

**B. P. WAGGENER ILL.**

Taken Sick on the Train and Sent Home on a Special.

ATCHISON, Dec. 20.—B. P. Waggener, general attorney of the Missouri Pacific was taken seriously ill this morning on the train between Atchison and Topeka. He was taken from the train at Hawthorne and a special sent out from this city. The trouble is acute indigestion. He is better this afternoon.

**NOBLE PRENTIS' LECTURE**

Eloquence and Wit Make His Address Charming as Usual.

Noble Prentis gave his lecture, "Art for the Artless," in the church parlors of Grace cathedral last evening. Most of the audience knew Mr. Prentis, all of them had heard of him and they were there to be pleased. Some of them were so bent on being amused that they laughed at every pun made by the speaker regardless of the context of the sentence, but they gradually learned to follow the lead of those who knew when to laugh, even if it didn't occur at a full stop.

Mr. Prentis explained that artless was used in the sense of without art, and not in the dictionary sense of not crafty. "There are two classes," said he, "in respect to art—those who know and those who don't know. Everything would be all right if those who know were not always anxious to let it be known that they know. Whenever a superiority is assumed by one class over another from any cause whatever there is irritation. There may be a land of pure delight where the inferior class is willing to be told that he doesn't know and accept the situation, but that land is not in America."

Mr. Prentis said that the element the great public demanded in pictures or sculptures was "like." They must be like what they professed to represent and that which came most closely to this would be fixed in the minds and hearts of the people.

The lecturer appealed for an independence in opinion, a courage to express what you like, and cited Bob Ingersoll, who dared to say of the finest old tapestries in Europe that "it looked like a table cloth at the hotel in Metamora, Woodford county, Illinois, in the second week of court."

The ease, directness and grace of Mr. Prentis' writing was fully displayed in his lecture.

Mr. Prentis sat while reading his lecture.

### CHANGE IN LAW FIRM.

David Overmyer Forms a Partnership with D. W. Mulvane.

The most notable of recent changes in Topeka legal circles is the dissolving of the firm of Overmyer & Isenhardt, which was effected today. David Overmyer announces that he has formed a partnership with David W. Mulvane, whose promise as a lawyer is only exceeded by the staunchness of his democracy. They will have an office on the second floor of the Bank of Topeka building, lately occupied by Thomas Ryan. S. B. Isenhardt will practice law by himself for the time being. As a lawyer he doesn't need any help.

### MARRIED A TOPEKA MAN.

Miss Jessie Pickering of Olathe Weds James Albert Evans.

OLATHE, Dec. 20.—Miss Jessie Amy Pickering was married last evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Pickering of this city to Mr. James Albert Evans of Topeka.

One hundred and fifty invitations were sent out.

Opera glasses—the largest assortment and lowest prices—at Swift & Holliday's.

Dr. Long's Office.

616 Kansas Avenue.  
Residence, 619 West Tenth Street.

## SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Now all the Christmas jokes are here. As always at this time of year, especially the one so pleasant, "That jells of Christmas home."

The shop lifters are getting in their work.

Yesterday was the last chance to pay taxes.

The kindergarten schools closed yesterday for the holidays.

Oscar Osborn is chairman of the Y. M. C. A. reception committee.

A man in town who is 78 years of age denies that the good die young.

The new flooring is completed on four spans of the Kansas avenue bridge.

Doctors say that there is a disease prevalent in Topeka resembling grip.

The next meeting of the county teachers' association will be held Jan. 12.

Bishop Vincent has agreed to speak at the Y. M. C. A. meeting Sunday afternoon.

The Topeka district M. E. conference will be held at Osage City, Feb. 25, 26 and 27.

There is to be a child wonder and a "rare treat" at Lincoln Post hall this evening.

The churches are being decorated and the Sunday school children are practicing carols.

The man who owns the Columbian building, Mr. L. M. Dorr of Rutland, Vt., is in the city.

Charles Spencer as referee is hearing about as many district court cases as Judge Hazen.

The Bethany kindergarten scholars gave their Christmas programme yesterday afternoon.

The Topeka Free Kindergarten association will receive \$350 from the musical performance.

Six candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the Knights and Ladies of Security last night.

Frank McFarland has been elected president of Preston B. Plumb council of National union No. 997.

There is a large hole in the flag which floats over Republican headquarters. Somebody ought to mend it.

There are not a great many Christmas skate displays this year. A straw hat display would be more in order.

George Burghart was voted to have the best and most appropriate representation in the Merchants' carnival.

The average person thinks he spends \$10 for every \$1 he gets during the holidays. Where does the rest go?

Judge Guthrie says there is no doubt but that a statue of Burns will be put up in Topeka, even if it costs \$10,000.

Arthur Gregg, who was severely injured by the discharge of a cannon on election night, is now nearly well.

At the Christmas entertainment at the First M. E. church each scholar is to take two apples or two oranges as a donation to the poor.

There are still half-a-dozen warrants left from the grand jury which haven't been served on account of the scarcity of the defendants.

This is the season of the year that belongs distinctively to the lodges and secret societies. It is their election and "grand ball" season.

The police gathered their forces one night a week or two ago to raid a certain disorderly house, but didn't do it, and nothing has been heard of it since.

Ed Parker, who works in the Topeka packing house market, had a fainting spell at 9 o'clock last night, and in falling his face was cut in several places.

**SEIZED BY HER HAIR.**

A Highly Sensational Scene on Kansas Avenue Last Evening.

At about 7 o'clock last evening two stylishly dressed women ran excitedly across Kansas avenue, just south of Eighth street. Just in front of Whitaker's commission house at 311 Kansas avenue, the larger of the two women caught up with the other and fastening her fingers in her hair, shook her like a terrier would a rat.

"I'll teach you how to lie about me," said the large woman, excitedly.

"I didn't lie about you. Please let me go. You'll kill me," screamed the other.

"I don't care if I do. You have lied about me long enough," replied the large woman, and she gave her victim another shake.

"Take her off! Take her off!" shouted the small woman.

A large crowd had gathered by this time and several men interfered, but it was some time before the hand of the infuriated woman was loosed from the other's hair.

Captain C. H. Titus finally succeeded in wrenching the hand loose. Then the woman turned upon him, and kicked him several times about the lower limbs.

"You have broken my ring," she said, and "I'll teach you a thing or two."

Walt Harris attempted to hold the woman, and was kicked in the stomach for his trouble.

Both women were arrested and taken to the police station. The larger woman proved to be Mrs. John Richmond, divorced wife of John Richmond, who lives two miles south of the city, and the other was Mrs. Christine Hayes, who until recently has been keeping house for Mr. Richmond. The women quarreled about Mr. Richmond, and two weeks ago Mrs. Richmond whipped the Hayes woman on Tenth street in front of the old Natatorium.

Both women deposited \$5 for their appearance in police court. Mrs. Richmond did not appear and Mrs. Hayes was discharged.

Mrs. Hayes then went before Justice Chesney and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Richmond for assault and battery. She pleaded guilty this morning and was fined \$1 and costs. The amount was \$13.65, which was paid.

**MISS MORRILL ENGAGED.**

The Engagement of Gov.-Elect Morrill's Daughter is Announced.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 20.—Star's special from Hiawatha, says the announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Grace Morrill, daughter of Governor-elect Morrill, to Mr. Charles Dixon, a stock broker living at Kansas City, Kan.

**Pullman Workmen Rent a Building.**

HIAWATHA, Kan., Dec. 20.—Directors representing Pullman workmen, have rented city water works power house and as soon as needed additions, and alterations can be made, will begin work. There are 35 workmen here, averaging five to a family.

Iron Toys, large and complete line, KITCHELL & MARBURG.

Commissioner of Elections Herald is a law-abiding citizen on legal business.

# The Palace

OPEN THIS EVENING UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.

## USEFUL HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

**NOTE**—During our Gigantic Stock Reduction Sale our prices are in every instance lower than are named for equal qualities elsewhere in the city.

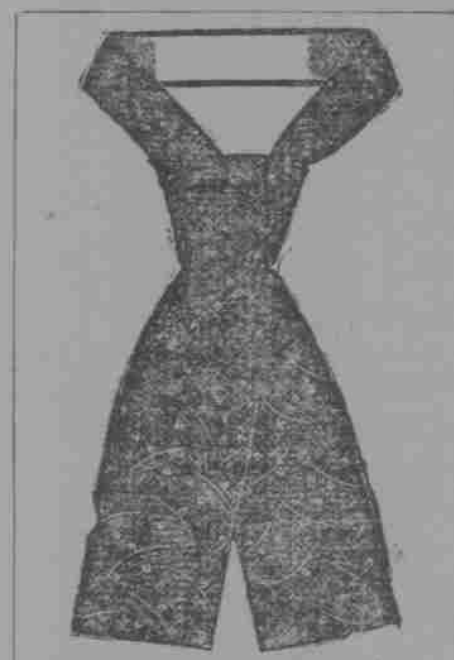


### Smoking Jackets.

We have a fine, neat, Tricot Jacket that sold at \$6.47 and \$8. price now

**\$4.98.**

New line of elegant Jackets—newest designs—very handsome—beautifully made. Call and see them.



### NECKWEAR.

Fine Silk Neckwear, sold at \$1.00, now \$1.00

**23c**

All most elegant \$1 Neckwear, now \$1.00

**48c**



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# Palace Clothing Co.

## High Art Clothiers.

709 Kansas Ave.

Auerbach & Guettel.

## SUSPENDERS.

Elegant Pure Silk Suspenders—brass buckles really worth \$1, now

**50c.**

Beautiful Satin Suspenders, finely mounted—in Great variety—at reduced prices.

**WHITE SHIRTS.**

We Sell the best White Laundered Shirt in America, made of Wamsutta Muslin, 2100 Linen Bosom and Cuffs—the equivalent of any \$1.50 Shirt in Topeka,

**\$1.00.**

Full line Dress Shirts at

**\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00.**

**UNLAUNDERED SHIRTS.**

White Unlaundered Shirts, Reinforced Linen Bosom and Cuffs, 75c value,

**39c.**

Finest Unlaundered White Shirts, pure Linen Bosom and Cuffs, sold everywhere at \$1,

**69c.**

**NIGHT SHIRTS.**

All 75c Fine Embroidered Night Shirts now

**48c.**

\$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 Finest Night Shirts now

**98c.**

**MUFFLERS.**

Warm Brocade Mufflers now

**25c.**

Fine Cassimere Mufflers now

**50c.**

Beautiful Silk Mufflers, sold at \$2 and \$3, now

**98c.**

**JEWELRY.**

Finest assortment of Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins, etc., at

**25c.**

**CANES.**

UMBRELLAS.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

GLOVES.

MITTENS and

HOSIERY

ALSO REDUCED.

**Boys' Suits and Overcoats.**

\$2.50 Knee Pant Suits and Overcoats

**\$1.48**

\$3 All Wool Suits and Overcoats

**1.98**

\$4 All Wool Suits and Overcoats

**2.48**

\$5 All Wool Suits and Overcoats

**3.50**

Youths' \$5.00 Suits and Overcoats now

**2.98**

Youths' \$6.00 Suits and Overcoats now

**3.75**

Youths' \$8 Suits and Overcoats now

**4.87**

Youths' \$10 Suits and Overcoats now

**6.25**

Youths' \$15 to \$20 Suits and Overcoats now

**9.50**

Skates Free With \$3.50 Suit or Overcoat or Over.

**Men's Suits and Overcoats.**

Men's \$6.00 Wool Suits

**2.50**

Men's \$6.00 ULSTERS

**2.98**

\$8 All Wool Overcoats

**4.75**

\$10 and \$12 Suits and Overcoats now

**6.75**

\$15 and \$16 Suits and Overcoats now

**9.50**

\$18 Fin. Dress Suits and Overcoats now

**12.50**

\$20, \$22.50 and \$25

Finest Dress Suits now

**14.50**

\$20 Finest Dress Overcoats and Ulsters now

**14.50**